

May 30, 2021



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Mission Statement of St. Cecilia's & St. Mary's

To be Nurtured by Christ's Word, Supported by a Faith Loving Community, and to Serve the Needs of Others as Called to Minister

✦ St. Joseph Church, Magdalena, Colombia (sister parish) ✦



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MASS	Sunday **	St. Cecilia	9:30 a.m.
		St. Mary	11:15 a.m.
		<i>** Children Liturgy, last Sunday of the month</i>	
	Monday	St. Cecilia	8 a.m. Holy Hour follows
	Wednesday	St. Cecilia	8 a.m.
	Thursday	St. Mary	8 a.m.
Friday		St. Mary (1 st Fri.)	8 a.m. Holy Hour follows
		St. Cecilia (other Fri.)	8 a.m.
		St. Cecilia (last Sat.)	8 a.m. Padre Pio & Rosary Devotion
Saturday		St. Mary (other Sat.)	8 a.m.
		St. Cecilia	4 to 4:30 p.m.
Reconciliation	Saturday	St. Mary (except last Sat.)	8:30 to 9:15 a.m.
Religious Education	Monday	St. Cecilia	3:45 to 4:45 p.m. (1 st thru 6 th graders)
	Confirmation Prep.	Wednesday	St. Cecilia

TRINITY SUNDAY

As scheduled in the calendar of the Church, today, the Sunday after Pentecost, celebrate the Most Holy Trinity. People still struggle with many challenging questions about God. What is Trinity? Does God really exist? Yes, absolutely. But we don't see God, how can we know God exists? With the help of the Holy Spirit, we can see God through nature, universe, revelation, faith... and most essential we can see God in Jesus Christ through the Bible... We believe in the Holy Trinity – One God in Three Persons: God the Father is the Creator; God the Son Jesus Christ is the Redeemer; God the Holy Spirit is the Sanctifier...

Nevertheless, we will never comprehend God, because God is mysterious beyond human understanding. How can we, the human race, be brought into existence without the Creator God? How can we know God is love if the Son of God did not come to tell them? How can we live our lives rightly without the guidance of God's Spirit?"

Life has many mysteries: from the macro-universe like the sun, the planets, the stars, to a micro-universe like a cell, an atom; from the movement of natural world to the forming of a baby in its mother's womb; from the amazing world of computer to the numerous languages people speak; from religious beliefs to the reality of our life journey: from birth, to aging, to sickness, to death, etc. These are all mysteries. People think they should understand the one who created all these mysteries. We also try to study about God, to explain these mysteries, but we never satisfy with the answers. There is much more in life and about God that we still search, and learn, and try to understand. However, we should remember that we never satisfy whatsoever explanation of the Trinity mystery by our human language.

Here is an example that may give us some thoughts about the mystery of the Trinity – Three Persons in One Divinity. The three persons Father, Son, and Spirit in the same DIVINITY can be compared with the three recognizable forms of water liquid, ice, and steam – in the same substance WATER. Just as God the Father is invisible origin of all things, the "liquid" water is original, pure, clear,

and cannot be seen since it has no shape. Just as God the Son – the Word becomes flesh – the ice is indeed the water in shape, to be visible. Just as the Holy Spirit is an invisible "mighty wind," the steam is invisible, yet remaining in the same substance of water as of the liquid and the ice.

The mystery of the Trinity is a fundamental mystery of our faith. We all are baptized into the Trinity. We begin our prayers in the name of the Trinity: the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We exalt the Holy Trinity in our Mass as we pray to God the Father: "Through Jesus, with Jesus, and in Jesus, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours Almighty Father, forever and ever."

In the Trinity, there are three persons uniting with one another in love; although they are distinct persons, they are so perfectly united in every way that they are one. There are no boundaries; there is nothing that separates them. Everything that belongs to one belongs to the others.

What can the celebration of the Trinity do for us? We are made "in the image and likeness" of that Triune God. The Holy Trinity is a perfect model of love for us to follow. When we live in love with others, we are in unity; there is a complete oneness. We are called to share in the life of the Trinity, to become lovers ourselves, to channel our love to our brothers and sisters. We don't see God, but we can make people see God in us if we can love; because by nature God is love. We don't see Jesus, but we can make people believe in Jesus and his teachings if we can live his commandments. We don't see the Spirit, but we can prove that God's Spirit lives in us if we can do right things and avoid wrong things.

Let us give thanks to the Holy Trinity. We thank God the Father for creating us, for giving us life. We thank God the Son for redeeming us, for bringing us out of darkness of sin, and restoring in us our human dignity. We thank God the Holy Spirit for sanctifying us, for leading us in the right path on our journey of life.

MASS INTENTIONS: from Sunday, May 30 to Saturday, June 5

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	SC	... Ann Conley (birthday)
	11:15 a.m.	SM	... Mamita Emiliana Taaca (birthday)
Monday	8 a.m.	SC	... Ken Massucco (thanksgiving for healing)
Tuesday	No Mass		
Wednesday	8 a.m.	SC	... for the most abandoned souls
Thursday	8 a.m.	SM	... Barbara & Barney Felling (for health)
Friday	8 a.m.	SM	... Fr. Cyril O'Sullivan (for health)
Saturday	8 a.m.	SM	... Fr. Tony McGuire (Ordination Anniversary)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. First Friday, June 4: Mass at St. Mary's Church at 8 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration right after the Mass. Concluded with Benediction at 12 noon.
2. Let us warmly welcome our new parishioners Cynthia & Kenyon Larsen to our parish community of St. Cecilia's & St. Mary's.
3. Happy Birthday to Ann Conley! Light refreshment in the parish hall right after 9:30 a.m. Mass to celebrate Ann's birthday. Thank you to Daphne and the team for doing this for Ann.
4. We continue in our prayers for the sick and their families who take care of them, especially for Barbara Felling (and Barney), Phyllis (and Robert Johnson), Martha McNeil, Fr. Cyril O'Sullivan, Ken Massucco (and Daphne), Hilary Stock, Barbara Perkins... and for those whom you know but their names are not mentioned here.

2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal:

<u>St. Cecilia</u>	
Goal	\$ 4,962.00
Received	\$ 5,144.00
We've reached the goal	
THANK YOU!	
<u>St. Mary</u>	
Goal	\$ 3,329.00
Received	\$ 1,766.00
Need	\$ 1,563.00

Last Week Collections:

<u>St. Cecilia</u>	
Offertory	\$ 805.00
Maintenance	\$ 380.00
Total	\$ 1,185.00
<u>St. Mary</u>	
Offertory	\$ 196.00
Preservation	\$ 360.00
Total	\$ 556.00